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## **Mark Twain Lake Announces the Return of the Annual Antler Shed Hunt for Youth**

**Mark Twain Lake, January 12, 2013** – Mark Twain Lake is proud to announce the return of the Annual Shed Hunt for Youth that will take place on Saturday, February 23<sup>rd</sup>. The goal of this event is to introduce interested youth into the outdoors when most are getting a good dose of *cabin fever* anyway. There will a chance for the younger “Bucks” (children of 2 years of age up to 12 years old) to hone their shed hunting skills with a Kiddie Hunt along the new visitor center trail. Sheds will be placed along the trail to give the little ones the idea of what a real shed find will feel like. Donations of antler sheds will be accepted at the M.W. Boudreaux Memorial Visitor Center leading right up to the date of the event in order to insure each little one can go home with one special memento to call their own.

Meanwhile, in the afternoon, the older youth will get a chance to test their skills at finding some sheds at a designated location. The lobby will be filled with informational booths from various groups on deer and other related outdoors topics throughout the day. Door prizes will be drawn for throughout the morning. The Monroe City Whitetails Unlimited Chapter will be providing a lunch of hot dogs, soup and chips. The event is free for all age groups but pre-registration is required by 4 p.m. February 8<sup>th</sup>. Registration for the Kiddie Hunt will be limited to the first 125 callers.

The event is sponsored by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers in partnership with the Missouri Department of Conservation and Whitetails Unlimited.

Participants are encouraged to dress appropriately for the weather, bring extra gloves, hats and wear bright colors, such as hunter blaze orange. If you’d like more information or would like to register your child, please feel free to email [marktwaininfo@usace.army.mil](mailto:marktwaininfo@usace.army.mil) or call 573-735-4097. Donations of shed antlers can be dropped off seven days a week from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the M.W. Boudreaux Memorial Visitor Center located on Rt. J just south of the Clarence Cannon Dam.